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RE: PROPOSED Media Bureau 18-184

Amongst the existing comments, there seems to be general support for the intent to assist the existing Class A FM broadcasters.

Please accept my support in the intent of allowing applicable Class A FM broadcasters a chance to increase their coverage. There will be very few broadcasters to oppose increasing the service coverage of their station for the public interest. Increasing any station's Effective Radiated Power (ERP) is THE primary way to accomplish this goal.

As I understand this goal, it is to allow applicable Class A broadcasters to increase their ERP to a maximum of 12 kilowatts, with no change in the existing allowed maximum antenna height of 100 meters.

I would appreciate it if the Chairman and Commissioners would consider simply changing the technical definition of the existing Class A FM broadcast facility versus adding the new Class C4. To me, this seems to be the simplest way to implement the same result. In doing so, the existing Class A FM licensee remains a Class A FM licensee, with the potential of up to 12 kilowatts ERP, where possible.

If this suggested approach were considered, certainly there will be a ripple effect within Part 73 of the rules that will have to be addressed. Minimum distance separation between stations (73.207), and other aspects of Part 73 will have to be addressed. But, these same aspects will have to be addressed with the introduction of Class C4 as well.

Being the only broadcaster in our rural Texas County, I appreciate the chance to better serve my area with the possibilities of increasing our station's coverage by increasing our Effective Radiated Power.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alan Brown", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

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